Evergreen

Evergreen, July 13.- The Willing Worker Circle met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth St. John and family last week, with a good attendance.

Mrs. Elizabeth P. Robinson, of Pumpkin was the luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Paulette last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hamilton, of Roanoke were visitors here last week at the Inge home.

Mr. A. A. LeGrand spent the week-end at Petersburg, with his mother, Mrs. T. E. LeGrand, who is ill at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover and Mary Sullivan visited Mr. and Mrs. Julian Glover last week at Crewe.

Mr. Roy Keys and Mr. Jack Paulette called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Paulette Sunday P. M.

Rev. and Mrs. Winfred Elder and family visited relatives in Lynchburg last Friday.

Miss Wanda Kay LeGrand, of Richmond spent last week with her father, Mr. Archer LeGrand.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Caldwell, Jr. of Blacksburg, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wooldridge.

Mrs. Mary Sullivan, of Lynchburg spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth St. John and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ranson and family Saturday night at Piney Ridge.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Staples and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Staples spent the week-end in the home of Mrs. Minnie Butler, of Carrsville, Va.

Rev. Robert E. Harris and Miss Anne Stinnete, of Pleasant View, and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Harris and son, of Lynchburg spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Garrett visited Mrs. Lena Ferguson Sunday P. M.

Rev. and Mrs. V. L. Hudson and family attended the family reunion of Mr. Peyton Seay Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Grisham and family were the luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Garrett Sunday.

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

(Editor's note: Here are the questions asked most frequently by Virginia farmers during the past week, as reported by county agricultural agents. Staff members of the VPI Agricultural Extension Service and/or Experiment Station supply the answers.)

Q. What is best to use to cure pinkeye in my cattle? Is the snot to prevent pinkeye effective?

A. Use any one of the commercial pinkeye preparations. The shot is not usually very effective.

Q. What effect will the hot, dry season have on my corn crop?

A. The most critical period for corn is when it is tasseling and silking. Dry weather early in the growing season won't do it much harm.

Q. What treatment is recommended for the face fly? How about the common white grub?

A. Researchers at VPI are working "round the clock" to find a treatment for the face fly. As soon as a control is found, farmers will be notified.

The common white grub is best controlled by soil treatment with aldrin or heptachlor. There's not much you can do at this time of the year.

Q. How can I control the fruitworm and hornworm on tomatoes?

A. Use TDE, which is effective and which requires only a one-day waiting period before harvest.

Q. What can I do about Japanese beetles on corn, ornamentals, and grapes?

A. Use DDT to control the adult beetle. If you use DDT on grapes, wait three weeks before harvest. If harvest time is closer than three weeks, better leave off the DDT and simply cover the grapes with cheese cloth to keep out the beetles.

Q. Why are cutworms doing so much damage to soybeans and late corn this time of year?

A. The reason why is anybody's guess. Cutworm damage is being reported through the South this year to a much greater extent than usual.

Q. When is the proper time to propogate boxwood?

A. Boxwood can be propogated easily from cuttings, which will take root almost any time of the year. If you put the cuttings outside, do it between July 15 and September 15.

Q. Will you damage corn if you use 2,4-D to control weeds when the corn is one to two inches tall?

A. Not if you use it at the recommended rate for post-emergence treatment. Don't us the high rate recommended for pre-emergence at this time.

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Bible Material: Amos 5:14, 15; 6. Devotional Reading: Proverbs 3:5-12.

False Security

Lesson for July 17, 1960

ALARM whistles blew, sirens sounded, signals flashed. The whole city should have been in an uproar, but it was going about its business as usual. Excited officials telephoned everywhere—a mistake has been made, this is no drill, just pay no attention. But nobody paid attention to the apologies, because nobody had paid attention to the alarm. Headquarters had many phone calls that day, but—and this is the interesting point—everybody supposed there must be some mistake. Not a soul took it seriously.

Dr. Foreman

That little story, if true (it got into the newspapers at any rate), shows up very nicely the American state of mind. We cant believe anything is wrong with us, we can't see how anything can go wrong with us. People who drive out a few miles from any city in America may see signs: Evacuation Route . . . Feeding Station, and so forth. But how many Americans actually expect ever to stand hungry at a feeding station?!

As It Was, So It Is

The prophet Amos, speaking for God, faced a nation (Israel) smaller than ours by far, but just as complacent, just as sure that nothing could go wrong, just as gently cushioned by a feeling of national security. The facts and factors that made them feel so safe and happy are familiar to any who take time off to observe the American scene. For one thing, they were a nation operating by military power. Many of its kings, if not all of them, had been generals of the army. In case of rival claimants for the throne, the man with the most troops usually got the prize. The country had knocked off its enemies one by one. Just at Amos's time, the boundaries of the country were wider than at any time since Solomon. What armies had done, armies could do again, they thought . . . and so do we. "We have never been beaten in war, we shall never be beaten." Football coaches know that no winning streak lasts for ever.

Wealth and Culture

The little country of Israel was not only safe at the moment from military attack, it was prosperous. People built homes of ivory—that is to say, decorated with ivory in a lavish way. They had money for summer and winter homes. They drank the finest wines, they had money and leisure for the arts. As Amos pointed out, all this luxury was only on certain streets. There were other streets where people went hungry and cold. But the people Amos talked to were mostly from the country-club suburbs. They never did believe what Amos told them, that prosperity is not the same thing as security. There's no point in throwing a big party if the house is burning down over your head. We are a little like the Israelites, aren't we? Many Americans think we can buy our way out of any trouble, we can make friends with any nation just by spending money there.

The Enemy Within

After all, enemy armies were not the greatest danger to Israel as a nation. When a wind blows down a tree in the forest, we say that the wind was to blame. But was it the wind, or was it the slow rotting inside the tree-trunk? The same wind struck other trees but they did not fall. This one fell because it was hollow, a little push sent it tumbling. What concerned Amos most, looking (we may say) through God's eyes at Israel, was not foreign politics and foreign wars, but conditions inside Israel. Oh, people would have said to him, conditions are not bad here. Look at the temples, they are filled every week. The number of sacrifices has never been greater. But Amos was not impressed. God did not care for all their religion; it was only religiosity, which is another thing. God is more impressed by justice and righteousness than he is by elaborate "worship services." Amos made it clear that church attendance is no guarantee of a nation's safety. The burning question is: What do the people who go to church do to other people the remaining six days of the week? If the nations heart is not sound, what use are her defenses?

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The Low-Gear Type

It's entirely possible that you have heard of the woman who called her husband "Hydramatic," because he was of the shiftless type. —Chicago Tribune.

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The new schedules are on file with th be seen at the offices of the State Corporati mission, Blanton Building, Richmond, Virgin any information as to the new rates may be from the business office of the Appomatt phone Company at Appomattox, Virginia.

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Stonewall

Stonewall, July 11.- We have really had some hot, dry days for the past week. But, nights have really been good sleeping nights: so cool.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Seay, of Lynchburg, were the dinner guests of Mrs. S. E. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Krause on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Parks Jennings and Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dyess and Robert spent the week-end at Colonial Heights with the Rev. and Mrs. Charlie Spain and children.

Mrs. H. B. Jennings, who has been spending some time with relatives here, has gone to visit the Spains for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Matthews III, of Orange, spent the week-end here with her father, Mr. J. O. Davidson and other home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Gunter and family, of Portsmouth, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Martin Krause, and her family.

Mrs. Essie Chick and Mrs. R. H. Routon spent the week-end with Mrs. Ida Stratton and Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Stratton.

Sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Walker Harding. He spent his boyhood days on a farm near here. He will be buried here at Hebron on Tuesday morning. We extend deepest sympathy to his wife and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bondurant Sr. and family and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davidson and children spent Sunday at Rustburg with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Younger and Mrs. Ruby Oakes.

Miss JoAnne Crance is spending some time in Florida with her father.

Miss Bettie and Kitty Routon spent last Wednesday with their grandmother, Mrs. Etta Routon and her boys.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Carson visited his sick brother, Mr. Wilton Carson in Jefferson Hospital in Roanoke on Saturday. Glad to hear he is better. Hope for him a speedy get well.

Quite a few from around here attended the funeral of Mr. William Harvey at Red Oak Church last Wednesday evening. We want to extend deepest sympathy to his wife and children and other loved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beard and Lawrence, and Mr. C. D. and H. F. Drinkard visited Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chick over the week-end.

So glad to hear that Mrs. O. R. Turnes is improving. She is in the Virginia Baptist Hospital. We hope for her a speedy recovery and return to her home here.

The Rev. and Mrs. John P. Leitner had as their guests last week her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lowry Hundley, of Portsmouth, Mrs. W. R. Stratton and Mrs. Annie Laura Martin, of Appomattox, and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carson.

Rev. and Mrs. John P. Leitner visited his sick members in the hospitals last week. They bring sunshine to the bedside of all they visit.

Mrs. S. E. Anderson and Mrs. Martin Krause visited Mrs. Bell Harvey at Oakville last week.

Mr. Tommie Burnette is spending some time with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Burnette.

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EXTENSION NEWS

By G. L. James, Farm Agent

Appomattox County 4-H Clubs were represented at the annual 4-H State Short Course by: Barbara Reed, Beatrice James, Dorothy Croner. The boys were: Clinton Turner, Gilbert James Jr., and the adult leaders were: Mrs. O. W. Smith and Mrs. T. M. Harris. According to the reports, Appomattox delegates participated very commendably in class discussions, panels, demonstrations and committee work. The courses they took were: Junior Leadership, Good Grooming, Parliamentary Procedure, Public Speaking, and Home Safety. Two of the delegates were elected group chairmen, and made excellent summaries at the final day's culmination session. Beatrice James participated in the Talent Program,—placing second with a piano selection among a field of twenty participants.

Our state winner this year was Herbert Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Williams, of Route 1, Appomattox. His award was a $50 Savings Bond, sponsored by a commercial company - for his outstand herd project. Herbert is a second year student at Hampton Institute. His 4-H projects have helped finance his start in college — at present Mr. Williams estimates that one third of Herbert's college expenses have come from his 4-H project income.

The 4-H State Short Course is the highlight and goal of all active 4-H members throughout the state. It is held annually at Virginia State College and is attended by oustanding 4-H members representing all the counties in Virginia - having Extension Service Cooperating in the given county.

FARMSTEAD LOCATION AFFECTS EFFICIENCY

Buying a farm — or wondering where to build your house on the farm?

The location of the farmstead, in relation to various fields has a lot to do with how efficiently you can run the farm, says R. Lee Chamblins, Jr., agriculture economist at VPI.

Likewise, the location of the farmstead in relation to highways, or public services such as electric and telephone service, should play a part in your decision.

Chamblins says that generally land that is close to the farmstead is worth more than equally good land farther away — an important consideration for the man who is thinking of buying or renting additional land. The value of distant land must be discounted in proportion to the additional costs involved in operating at that distance. Time of men and machines spent in traveling means higher production costs. And these costs do not directly produce income.

From the standpoint of operations on the farm, the farmstead should be at the center of the farm, or at least as close as practical to the most intensely cultivated fields. However, Chamblins says other factors may indicate that the best location for the farmstead is near the highway, particularly if the type of farming requires frequent trips from the farm. The cost of maintaining a long private lane from the highway to the farmstead also must be considered.

Furthermore, electric service, telephone service, and sometimes natural gas service, are usually available and often more cheaply installed when the farmstead is near the road. School bus service is almost always limited to public highways.

On the modern dairy farm, adequate road facilities are necessary to let heavy milk tanker trucks and bulk feed trucks reach the farmstead even in the worst weather. In varying degrees, the same facilities are important on many other types of farms.

The general farm layout should be planned so each major land class is put to the use for which it is best adapted, Chamblins says. Land which is physically most suitable for cropping usually gives greater returns when used for crops. Land which is too steep, too stony, too rough, to wet, to thin and dry, too heavy, or too far from the farming work with a beef herd project. stead, is generally best used for pasture or woodland.

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